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He is Risen! Alleluia, Alleluia

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OCTAVE OF EASTER MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday in the Easter Octave April 19

12:05 noon + Anne Langmark Requested by Christopher Langmark

Wednesday in the Easter Octave April 20

12:05 noon + Brigida Leonetti Requested by Rosa Ingriselli

Thursday in the Easter Octave April 21

12:05 noon + Barb McLenaghen Requested by Joe, Sandy, Nicole and Danielle

Friday in the Easter Octave April 22

11am – Holy Hour

12:05 noon + Eugenio and Caterina Mascon Requested by John and family

Saturday in the Easter Octave April 23

10 am + Ryszard Milewski

Requested by the Milewski family

The Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Vigil Mass - Saturday April 23

5pm + Anita and Glen Rourke

Vigil Mass Requested by their brothers and sisters

Sunday April 24

9am + Julie and Reg Rheal Requested by the family

11:30 am + Patricia Rankin

Requested by Guy, Mary DiTomaso and family

Sanctuary Lamp

April 17 - 23

This week the lamp burns for the intentions of **Bob and Corinne Green**





O God, who on this day, through your Only Begotten Son, have conquered death and unlocked for us the path to eternity, grant, we pray, that we who keep the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit, rise up in the light of life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

"The Lord
is truly risen,
alleluia.
To him be glory
and power
for all ages of eternity,
alleluia, alleluia."

Luke 24-34; cf Revelation 16



Today, we celebrate Easter, Christ's Resurrection. Easter is the "feast of feasts," "the solemnity of solmenities," and the "Great Sunday."





Hallelujah! He is Risen!



Please pray for those who have asked for prayers:

Shelley Smith; Nadine Adams; Bernie Gemmell; Peter Patenaude; Bob Kokron; David; Brenda Bylow; John Jerome; Robert Schofield;

The Pope's Prayer Intention for April

For Health Care Workers

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

Easter Reflection: Unwavering Hope

If we patiently and attentively follow the readings for the Easter Vigil, we will see why the symbols of light and water are so appropriate in recalling the life-giving and redemptive action of God in human life.

We are taken on a journey in the last two days we were reminded of the darkness of this world where even the Son of God was not spared from the evil designs of human persons. It is not difficult to see how people continue to be crucified today – to poverty, corruption, conflict, inefficiency and small-mindedness. At the liturgy of light on Easter Vigil, we are reminded that darkness is part of human experience but the light of God, of his Christ, is here to dispel the darkness.

We begin with the story of God's creation; then the story of Abraham's faithfulness and obedience to God's command to sacrifice his only son Isaac, then the dramatic pre-figurement of our redemption in the great exodus from slavery in Egypt to freedom by passage through the sea as in dry land.

In the New Testament Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans, we hear of our baptism as our participation in Christ's death and resurrection. In the Gospel reading from Luke, angels proclaim that Christ has risen as he had said.

We are not redeemed by our own efforts: even the disciples deserted Jesus at his crucifixion, his head follower Peter betrayed him before the servant-woman. Ours is a history of fear and failure and tonight we remember that, if we have hope, it is only because God hopes in us. We like to say that we are an Easter people, people of hope but it is not we who hope as much as God who hopes in us.

Remember the many instances when God's people turned away from their covenant with God and worshipped false gods. Time and again, Israel was unfaithful; time and again God forgave and took them back. God continues to make and fulfill his promises. It is Yahweh who does not lose hope in his people. It is God who continues to hope in us, even when we seem so unfaithful and hopeless.

Remember the loving and forgiving father of the prodigal son. That is the kind of love and hope God has for and in us.

Just as God in Jesus has hope in us, so we must be people of hope. If our acts of hope are to be rooted in our Easter faith, then we must remain connected to Jesus. It is He who can give us the grace to set aside our prejudices and biases, our comfort zones and weaknesses, and enable us to live as people of hope.

A blessed Easter!

Fr. Roselle



The Synod on Synodality:

Pope Francis is asking every Catholic to help discern what the Holy Spirit is telling us at

this moment as the Church enters its third millennium. The first phase of the Synod on Synodality will last through the first half of 2022 and will see the world's faithful sharing their thoughts at a diocesan level. All those diocesan-level responses will be collected and summarized.

Meeting Nights:

Thursday, April 21st 7 pm Thursday, May 19th 7 pm Thursday, June 23rd 7 pm Thursday, July 21st 7 pm

People of Faith invites all interested to contact us at:

Email: peopleoffaith2022@gmail.com OR

Call: Robert Sykes 705-529-6718





It is added to acclamations and antiphons and may be used as a refrain for the Responsorial Psalm and Communion Song.



The sprinkling rite (with water blessed at the Easter Vigil) is often used at the beginning of Masses

ASPECTS OF **THE SEASON OF EASTER**

As far back as the Council of Nicaea (325), the Church reflected Easter joy by prohibiting fasting and kneeling, which are signs of penance, throughout the season. During the Easter season, we stand (rather than kneel)





Confirmation and First Eucharist are celebrated during the Easter season



of the season continues throughout the fifty days and should be reflected in the estive decoration of the church building

The constant joy



the Apostles is read at all celebrations in place of the Old Testament because it presents the life, growth and witness of the early Church



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